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**Subject:** Energy Grant Money

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## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Dept. of Human Services, Department of Corrections, Iowa Finance Authority, Lottery, Iowa Veterans Home, Dept. of Cultural Affairs, Dept. of Transportation, Dept. of Public Safety (including DPS Headquarters throughout the state), IPERS, Regents

**FR:** Ray Walton

In response to the State of Iowa's ongoing commitment to energy conservation, I want to encourage you to submit requests for grant money, administered through the Office of Energy Independence as part of the ARRA funding, to implement energy projects throughout your facilities. As manager of the buildings on the Capitol Complex, Terrace Hill and at the Ankeny labs facility (13 buildings in all), DAS can assist you with your efforts. Here are a few tools to help you maneuver the process:

1. To help shorten the process, DAS is establishing a master agreement for energy study, design and commissioning services; this will facilitate the up-front work you may need to perform, and can be funded by grant money.
2. Contact your local utility company to identify available rebates and other incentives to help offset the costs of the projects.
3. Contact the Treasurer of the State of Iowa for securing energy loans as provided under Iowa Code section 12.28.
4. Contact OEI as soon as possible for information about how to apply for the grant.

DAS was awarded more than \$700,000 in grant money and secured a loan from the Treasurer's office to implement more than 40 projects. We anticipate an early pay-back of the loan, based on rebate monies and savings we realize from implementing the projects.

This isn't as daunting as it may appear to be. An example of one of our projects is replacing a chilled water pump and adding a variable frequency drive in the Lucas building. The installed costs are projected to be \$47,796; we expect a rebate of \$26,940. Some of the projects are a lot smaller (replacing light bulbs and exit signs) and some are larger (adding return air vents), but all have been identified as helping us to better manage our energy resources.

DAS is ready, willing and able to help you with grant applications, establishing a process for payments to vendors and providing construction management services, which can be rolled into the costs of the grant request. There is a very aggressive timeline for applying for these grants **- May 25, 2010 -** so please contact Corey Goodenow at OEI ([corey.goodenow@iowa.gov](mailto:corey.goodenow@iowa.gov); 515-725-0439) or Patricia Lantz at DAS/GSE ([patricia.lantz@iowa.gov](mailto:patricia.lantz@iowa.gov); 515.281.8388) at your earliest convenience for guidance.

Thank you for participating in this program; it will benefit the State now, and for years to come.

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